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NORTH KOREA MISSION BX 6847

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PREFACE

This report summarizes information derived from Black Shield Mission 6847, 26 January 1968 over North Korea. Additional details can be obtained from cabled reports disseminated by NPIC and the 67 RTS.

Recipients are cautioned that the scan of the photography has been accomplished in a short time and does not constitute a finished intelligence judgment. Future detailed analysis may result in additional information.

The mission covers the southern half of North Korea and the eastern tip of the Shantung Peninsula in Communist China. Interpretability of the photography is fair-to-good with approximately 90 percent cloud-free coverage over the land areas. One hundred eight of the 138 COMIREX targets fall within this coverage, although 2 are cloud covered. In addition, 3 new targets have been reported.

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Pueblo Anchored Offshore

The USS Pueblo is anchored offshore in Changjahwan bay at 39-19-05N 127-26-40E, 2.4 nm ENE of Munchon Naval Base Wonsan. A motor torpedo boat (P-6 PT) is moored alongside and a probable miscellaneous service craft (YAG) is off the port beam. It cannot be determined whether the ship has been damaged or if any dismantling has taken place.

No evidence of salvage operations is observed in the vicinity of the position (39-25N 127-54E) where special equipment may have been jettisoned by the Pueblo.

Wonsan-Munchon Area Activity

The following Naval order of battle is observed in the area: Vessels at the Munchon Naval Base include 2 fast patrol boats (Shershen PTF) new to North Korean inventory, 2 small guided missile patrol boats (Komar PTG), and 3 motor torpedo boats (P-2 PT). Vessels in the harbor include 3 Komar PTG anchored off the west side of Hodo-pando peninsula, one minesweeper /T-MSF(O), and one submarine chaser (S.O.1 SC) anchored north of Sin-to island. In addition, one probable submarine chaser (Yukto PTC) is underway east of Hodo-pando heading SSE, and 2 additional Komar PTG are berthed at Munchon Naval Base NE. Of the total of 7 Komar PTGs, 3 are observed on photography for the first time.

Two of the 3 SAM sites in this general area are observed, each with 6 launchers in place. At Wonsan SAM Site A10-2, two missiles are present; at Hungdogi-dong SAM Site C22-2, missile presence cannot be determined. Fifty-four FAGOT/FRESCO are at Wonsan Airfield.

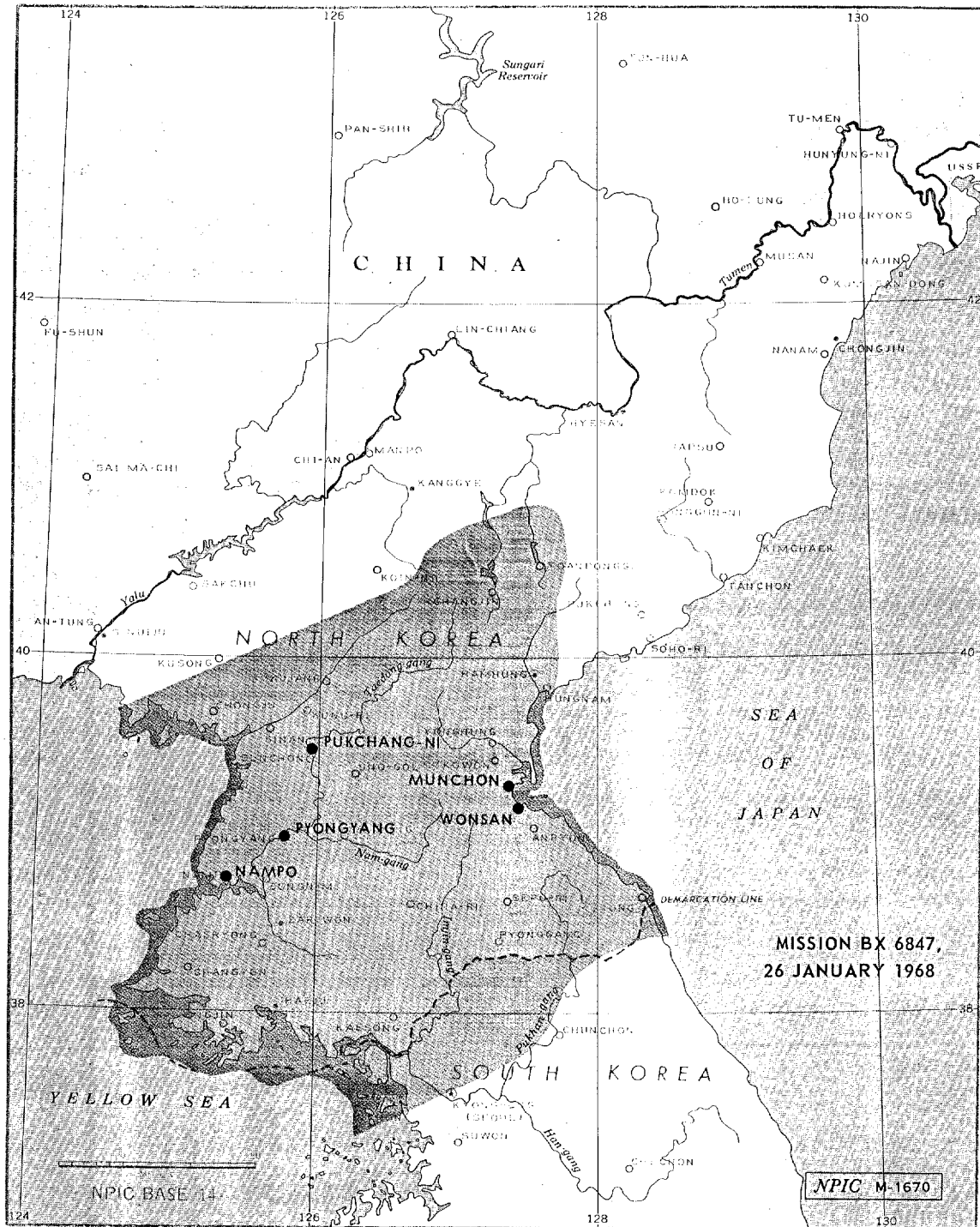
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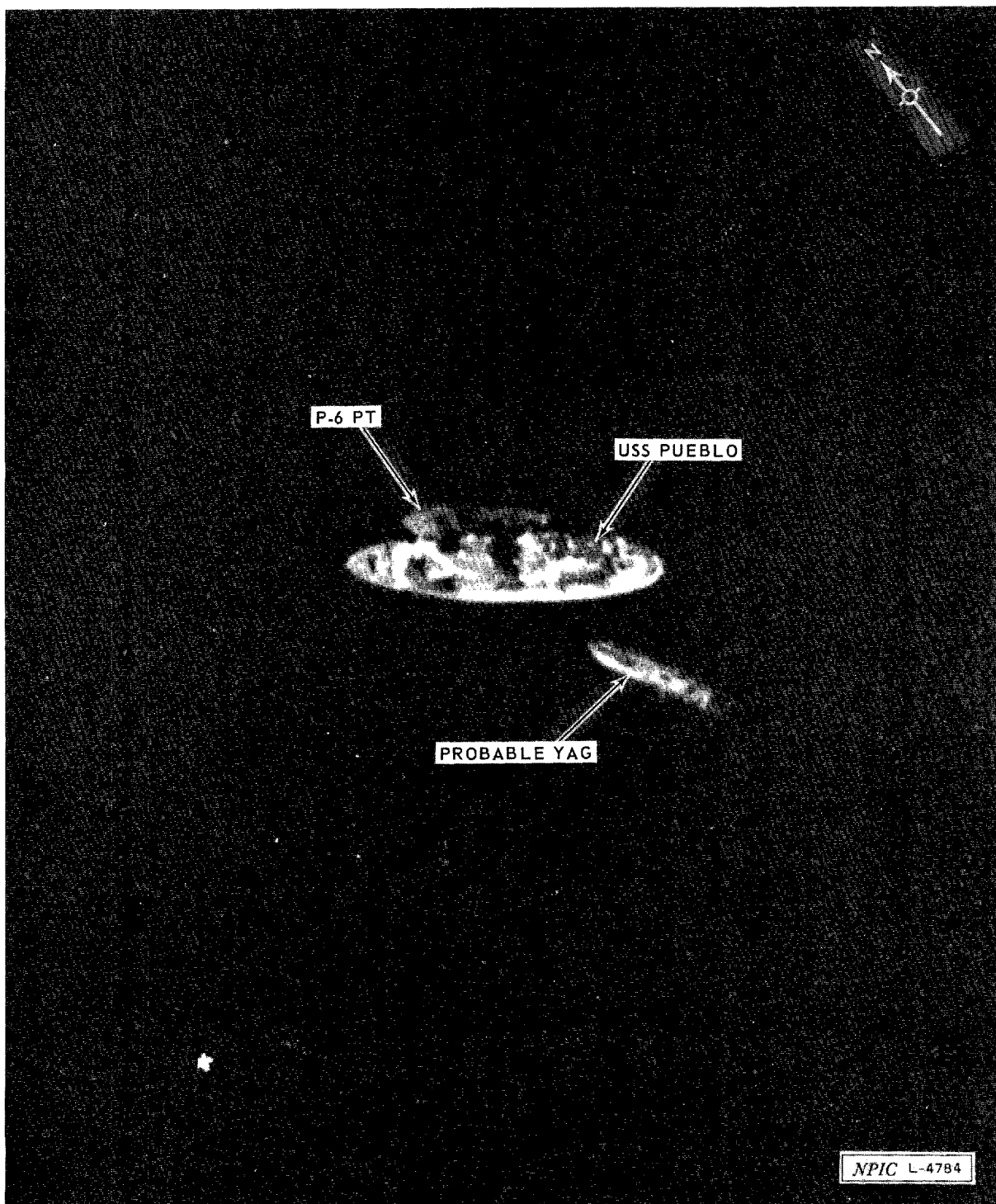
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USS PUEBLO

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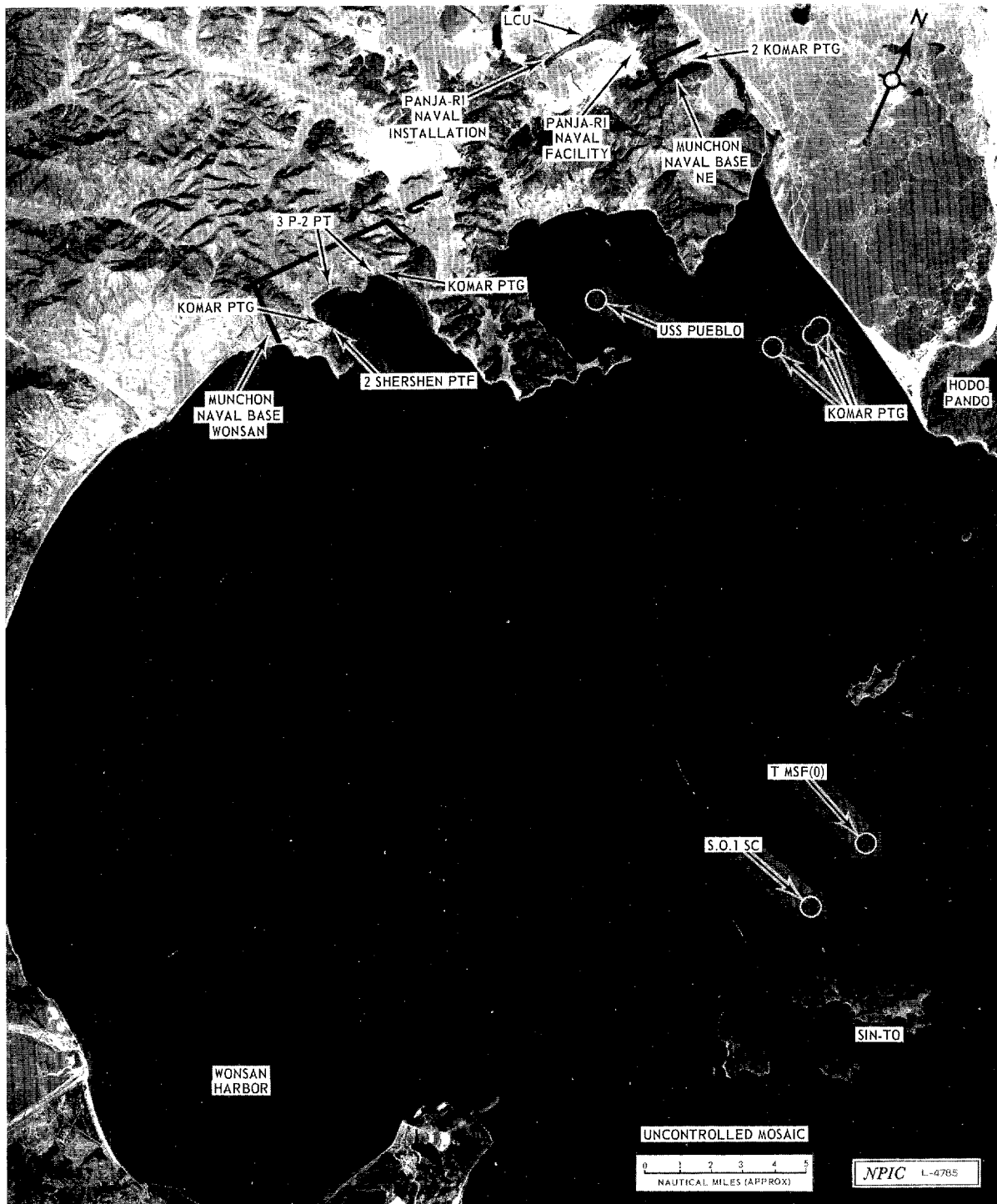
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MUNCHON HARBOR AND VICINITY

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Order of Battle

No major change is evident in the military posture of the North Korean armed forces either near the demilitarized zone or at the major military installations covered.

Order of battle at naval installations other than in the Wonsan-Munchon area shows no unusual activity or change.

Air order of battle at the major airfields reveals no significant change from previous coverage. However, 51 FRESCO shipping crates are observed at Pukchang-ni Airfield.

No significant activity or change is noted at the major urban complexes imaged on this mission.

No concentrations of military equipment or unusual activity are noted along major transportation lines.

SAM Sites

Of the 14 known SAM sites in North Korea, 12 are covered, one can be identified only, and one is not covered. All 12 sites are occupied and contain launchers in each of the six launch positions (at one site the launchers are probable). Nine sites have from one to three missiles each, and at three sites missile presence cannot be determined. Ten sites have FAN SONG radars but at two a definite identification of guidance equipment cannot be made.

No new SAM sites were observed in the preliminary scan.

Cruise Missile Activity

Two cruise missile sites in the Nampo area are both unoccupied. In

identified but was imaged on photography. These are the only two cruise missile sites currently identified in North Korea.

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